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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUCHAREST 3820

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, SHUM, EAID, US, RO  
SUBJ: LINKAGE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND US POSITION IN IFI'S  
REF: STATE 117752

1. RECENT HIGH-LEVEL CONVERSATIONS BOTH IN WASHINGTON MAY 5 AND IN BUCHAREST MAY 17-18 AND MAY 20 HAVE CLEARLY CONVEYED TO GOR THE INTENSE US CONCERN WITH HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE PROMINENT PLACE THIS HOLDS IN OUR FOREIGN POLICY. IN OUR PRESENTATIONS, WE HAVE STRESSED DESIRE TO TREAT THIS PROBLEM IN BI-LATERAL RELATIONS THROUGH NON-PUBLICIZED DISCUSSIONS IN A CALM AND CONSTRUCTIVE ATMOSPHERE. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NOT MADE A SPECIFIC LINKAGE BETWEEN ROMANIAN HUMAN RIGHTS PERFORMANCE AND US ACTIONS IN WORLD BANK OR OTHER IFI'S, THERE HAS BEEN CLEAR IMPLICATION THAT US IS PREPARED TO TAKE STRONG ACTION IN ALL AREAS TO FURTHER HUMAN RIGHTS.

2. WHILE RECOGNIZING THAT EUR HAS MADE COMMITMENT (PARA 3 REFTEL) TO RAISE QUESTION WITH ROMANIANS WITH REGARD TO FUTURE WORLD BANK VOTES, I BELIEVE THAT TOO RAPID RAISING OF THE QUESTION WOULD BE COUNTER PRODUCTIVE TO THE EFFORTS WE HAVE UNDERTAKEN DURING THESE PAST WEEKS. IN ADDITION, I SHARE THE RESERVATIONS EXPRESSED IN REFTEL ABOUT PILING LINKAGES ON TOP OF LINKAGES, GIVEN ALL THE FREIGHT WE NOW HAVE MFN  
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CARRY. ROMANIA HAS NOT YET TO OUR KNOWLEDGE ENGAGED IN THE CONSISTENT PATTERN OF GROSS VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED HUMAN RIGHTS AND OUR EFFORTS ARE DIRECTED AT EXERCISING WHAT LEVERAGE WE HAVE SO THAT IT NOT ONLY DOES NOT MOVE IN THAT DIRECTION BUT RELAXES SOME OF THE PRESSURES THAT HAVE RECENTLY BEEN BROUGHT TO BEAR ON DISSIDENTS.

3. IN THIS CONTEXT, I THINK SPECIFIC POINT ABOUT IFI'S  
CAN BEST BE MADE (HERE IN THE FIRST INSTANCE) IN THE COURSE OF OTHER  
DISCUSSIONS BUT I NEED TO HAVE DISCRETION ON  
WHEN, HOW, AND TO WHOM I RAISE THE SUBJECT. SUITABLE  
OPPORTUNITY MAY ARISE IN MEETING I HAVE REQUESTED WITH  
FINANCE MINISTER DUMITRESCU TO PROD GOR AGAIN ON PROPERTY  
CASES OR DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER PATAN WHOM I EXPECT TO BE  
SEEING LATER IN JUNE.

4. IN GENERAL, MY BELIEF IS THAT WITH ISSUES AS SENSITIVE  
AS THIS, IT WOULD BE WISE IN CURRENT ATMOSPHERE TO  
CONVEY OUR CONCERNS AT SOME POINT IN WASHINGTON AS WELL AS BUCHAREST.  
WHILE DEPARTMENT WOULD CLEARLY HAVE BETTER FEEL FOR LEVEL  
OF DEMARCHE THERE, IT OCCURS TO ME THAT IT WOULD NOT BE  
BAD IDEA IF PERHAPS UNDER SECRETARY COOPER OR SOLOMON  
WERE TO RAISE MATTER WITH NICOLAE IN COURSE OF OTHER  
BUSINESS. U.S. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IN IBRD/IMF COULD  
DISCUSS ISSUE IN MORE DETAIL WITH ROMANIAN EMBASSY  
OFFICER RESPONSIBLE FOR FINANCIAL AFFAIS ONCE  
LEGISLATIVE SITUATION CLEARER.  
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